

Mr. Lyle B. Gaffel,

I am writing that you support the petition to ban
the forced molting of layer hens 57 (9 DEC 1999) - 498 P4 0203/CP)

All animals should be treated with kindness and
compassion. Jesus was a vegetarian. Albert Schweitzer and
Albert Einstein were vegetarians. Abraham Lincoln and
Winston Churchill both loved and respected animals.
Queen Elizabeth no longer wears fur. Great minds think alike.

Please help the animals.

Thank you.

Donald A. Trump, Jr.

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How Sad Is That Doggy in the Window?

Many dogs sold in pet shops, about 360,000 per year, come from puppy mills and breeding kennels found mostly in the Midwest. In puppy mills, female dogs are kept in crude, usually outdoor cages and are bred continuously. Their puppies are taken from them at an early age, packed into crates, and shipped hundreds of miles to dealers, often without adequate food, water, or ventilation. Both the mothers and their puppies often suffer from a lack of affectionate, attentive human care and socialization necessary for a well-balanced psyche in the adult dog. Physical and emotional problems are common in animals from puppy mills, which try to produce as many puppies as possible.

Once the animals get to the pet store, life in cramped cages adds more strain to their already stressed lives, and this increases their susceptibility to disease. No law regulates how pet shops dispose of their animals, and some stores have been caught killing unsold dogs on the premises and throwing them in the trash dumpster. Unwanted animals can end up in laboratories where they may be subjected to further abuse.

Dog and Cat Overpopulation: A Tragic Cycle

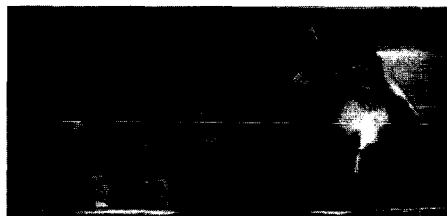
While breeders manufacture millions of dogs and cats each year, millions of animals who already exist face a severe lack of homes. Approximately 2,500 kittens and puppies are born every hour in the United States, far more than can ever find good homes. Unwanted animals are dumped at the local pound or abandoned in woods and on city streets, where they suffer from

starvation, lack of shelter and veterinary care, and abuse by cruel people. Animal shelters can adopt out only a fraction

of the animals they receive, and the rest—about 17 million—must be put to death.

Because of this overpopulation crisis, no breeding can be considered “responsible.” Those who breed animals for profit, as well as individuals who let their dog or cat have “just one litter,” however well-intentioned they may be, increase the problem. Every newborn puppy or kitten means one fewer home for a dog or cat desperately waiting in a shelter or roaming the streets.

Spaying and neutering is the only way to reverse cat and dog overpopulation.



WHAT YOU CAN DO

- Always spay or neuter dogs and cats.
- Adopt from shelters—and don't forget adult animals, who are often overlooked by people looking for a puppy or kitten.
- Take strays to humanely run shelters.
- Work within your community to legislate mandatory spaying and neutering.
- Speak up if you know someone is planning to breed an animal. People who desire the companionship of dogs and wish to do what is best for dogs do not breed them; they adopt from animal shelters.
- If you prefer a particular breed, check with shelters and breed rescue clubs. There is never a reason to support a breeder.

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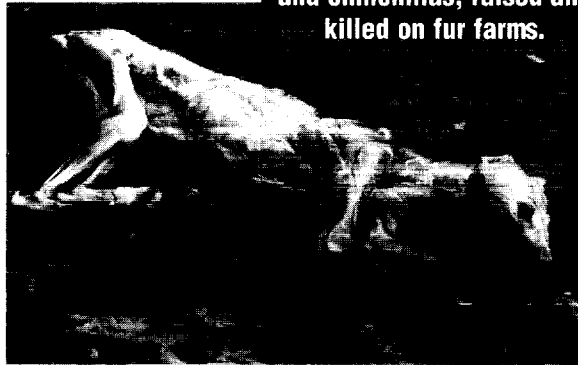
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**PLEASE HELP STOP
THE SUFFERING! ▶**

Did You Know?

- Animals on fur farms spend their entire lives confined to tiny, filthy cages, constantly pacing back and forth from stress and boredom.
- Some fur farmers kill animals by anal or vaginal electrocution. Animals who are electrocuted experience the intense pain of a heart attack while fully conscious.

This skinned fox is one of millions of animals, including minks, beavers, and chinchillas, raised and killed on fur farms.



- PETA caught one fur farmer in Maryland killing minks by injecting an insecticide into their hearts. This crude method of killing causes animals to convulse for up to 10 minutes before they die.
- Other killing methods include gassing and suffocation. Sometimes animals are only stunned and may be skinned alive.

FUR HURTS!

Don't let the cold penetrate your heart. Reject fur and fur trim.

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"Animals are God's creatures, not human property, nor utilities, nor resources, nor commodities, but precious beings in God's sight. ... Christians whose eyes are fixed on the awfulness of crucifixion are in a special position to understand the awfulness of innocent suffering. The Cross of Christ is God's absolute identification with the weak, the powerless, and the vulnerable, but most of all with unprotected, undefended, innocent suffering."

—Rev. Andrew Linzey

Why should Christians be vegetarians?

Jesus' message is one of love and compassion, yet there is nothing loving or compassionate about factory farms and slaughterhouses, where billions of animals live miserable lives and die violent, bloody deaths. Jesus mandates kindness, mercy, compassion, and love for all God's creation. He would be appalled by the degree of suffering we inflict on animals to indulge our acquired taste for their flesh.

Christians have a choice. When we sit down to eat, we can add to the level of violence, suffering, and death in the world, or we can respect His creation and work for peace.

Was Jesus a vegetarian?

Jesus is love and mercy in human form, and evidence is strong that he was a vegetarian. For example, in Jesus' time, animal sacrifice was an excuse for human beings to eat animal flesh, and Jesus challenged animal sacrifice at every turn. He drove those selling animals for sacrifice and consumption out of the temple, instituted baptism in place of animal sacrifice, said that God "requires mercy, not sacrifice," and eliminated animal sacrifice altogether at the Last Supper (a *vegetarian* Passover meal).

God created every animal with the capacity for pain and suffering. But on today's factory farms, animals are dehorned, debeaked, and castrated without anesthesia. To maximize profits, they are crowded together in the least space possible. Most are confined to space so small they can barely turn around. Many never see the light of day or feel soil or grass beneath their feet. Finally, they are trucked without food or water, through all weather extremes, to a frightening and hellish death.

Compassion and respect for all who suffer

A vegetarian diet is good for your health and spares animals unimaginable suffering and violence. Remember: As we do to the least, we do to Him.

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Dairy: Udder Cruelty



To make cows produce milk continually, they are kept almost constantly pregnant. Their calves are torn away within hours of birth so that the milk nature intended for *them* can be consumed by humans.

Growth hormones and unnatural milking schedules cause dairy cows' udders to become painful and so heavy that they sometimes drag on the ground.



Did You Know?

In nature, cows live 20-25 years, but a typical factory-farmed cow is "used up" in four years. Then it's off to the slaughterhouse. Male calves, the "byproducts" of the dairy industry, endure 14-17 weeks of torment in veal crates so small that they can't even turn around. Female calves often replace their old, worn-out mothers. They are often kept in tiny crates or tethered in stalls for the first few months of their lives, only to grow up to become milk machines like their mothers.

Cow's milk is frequently contaminated with pesticides and drugs and is deficient in fiber, niacin, vitamin C, and iron, and

"There's no reason to drink cow's milk at any time in your life. It was designed for calves, not humans, and we should all stop drinking it today."
Dr. Frank A. Oski,
Assistant Director of Pediatrics,
Johns Hopkins University

dairy products are linked to allergies, heart disease, cancer, and other diseases.

The late Dr. Benjamin Spock, America's leading authority on child care, spoke out against feeding cow's milk to infant humans, saying it can cause anemia, allergies, and insulin-dependent diabetes. The best sources of calcium are beans,

figs, and green leafy vegetables. Milk and cheese may actually *cause* osteoporosis, since their high-protein content leaches calcium from the body. A ground-breaking Harvard study of more than 75,000 nurses indicates that the incidence of osteoporosis rises with an increase in milk consumption.

What you can do:

Don't drink milk or eat dairy products! Instead, try delicious soy or rice milk, soy cheese, Tofutti ice cream, and tofu sour cream and cream cheese. All are widely available at health food stores and many supermarkets.

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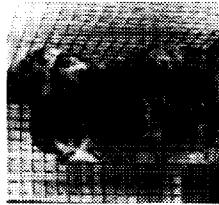


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